

The Winchester Sun

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DISTRICT COURT

Trio to serve 90 days for assault from drug deal

Group to pay \$10K for victim's medical bills

By Fred Petke
The Winchester Sun

Three men accused of beating a man after a drug deal went wrong pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges Wednesday afternoon.

According to a plea agreement, all charges against 22-year-old Christopher Graves of 702 Westwood Drive, 20-year-old Tirrell

Woods of 127 College St. and 22-year-old Benson J. Ingram of Lexington were amended to misdemeanor criminal attempt. All were sentenced to 180 days, but 90 of those were conditionally discharged for two years. Woods was allowed to serve his 90 days on home incarceration.

The men also were ordered to pay for the victim's medical ex-

penses, which total \$10,185.60, according to prosecutors.

The three were arrested Feb. 13 for second-degree assault and drug trafficking charges after an undercover police officer witnessed the attack on West Washington Street. Winchester Police Capt. James Hall said the officer was in the area when he saw a man approach Graves' vehicle and exchange a

plastic bag. When the two men began arguing, Graves took the bag back and all three men got out of the vehicle, Hall said. The group then began kicking and hitting the buyer in the face and chest. At that point, the officer got out of his vehicle and stopped the assault.

The victim, who was not identified, was treated and released from Clark Regional Medical Center. He later told police he was trying to buy drugs.

Officers also found a small

amount of crack cocaine and one oxycodone pill after they searched Graves' vehicle, Hall said.

If indicted and convicted, the men could have been sentenced to five to 10 years in prison for assault.

While Woods has been released on bond, Ingram and Graves remain in the Clark County Detention Center.

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District administrator Paul Christy, right, Superintendent Elaine Farris, elementary instructional leadership coordinator Brenda Considine and director of human resources Scarlett Ryan stand on the stage of the auditorium at the new GRC high school during a tour of the site Wednesday, top photo.

New high school taking shape

Clark County Public Schools Administrative Director Paul Christy, left, points out where the athletic fields will be located to Superintendent Elaine Farris while she tours the new George Rogers Clark High School construction site Wednesday. Looking on is elementary instructional leadership coordinator Brenda Considine, right photo. Construction on the new George Rogers Clark High School is progressing rapidly as workers take advantage of the good weather conditions this spring, bottom photo. The school is scheduled to open in the fall of 2013.

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ORCHESTRA

GRC earns second straight distinguished rating

By Rachel Parsons
The Winchester Sun

For the second year in a row, the George Rogers Clark High School orchestra received the state's highest award for student musicians.

The orchestra received a distinguished rating at the Kentucky Music Educators Association assessment March 14 for only the second time in school history under the direction of new teacher Laura Fallon.

"There's no greater profession than this," Fallon said of teaching music.

The school's first distinguished rating was achieved

under the direction of Marcie Zeckner, who led the orchestra for three years before leaving at the end of the 2010-2011 school year.

Fallon said she hopes the orchestra can continue its recent success, and plans to challenge her students with more difficult music selections next year.

"Next year we'll be able to come in and hit the ground running," Fallon said.

After a year at the program's helm, Fallon said she has a better sense of students' capabilities and plans to make sure they reach their highest potential.

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Photo submitted

The George Rogers Clark High School orchestra recently received a distinguished rating at the state assessment, for the second time in school history. The orchestra is under the direction of first-year teacher Laura Fallon.

ETHICS

Doctor: Diagnoses complicate medical ethics

By Rachel Parsons
The Winchester Sun

The hardest part of treating dementia, according to neurologist Dr. Greg Cooper, is knowing the patient will not be cured.

"We need to change our values from curing to caring," Cooper said.

Medical ethics, particularly caring for patients with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, was the topic of Wednesday's discussion at Emmanuel Episcopal Church. The church is hosting a series of discussions throughout Lent on ethics in different professions.

Cooper is the director of Sanders-Brown Center on Aging and is a private practice neurologist with Baptist Health Systems.

Dealing with dementia patients can also be challenging for doctors because many times patients reach a point where they are no longer capable of making medical decisions for themselves. Instead, decisions must be made by a surrogate, and the decision-making process can be quite complex, Cooper said.

Patients may decide prior to their illness that they do not want to be placed on a feeding tube, for example, but may change their minds when faced with the inability to eat. The surrogate must decide if the patient's original statement is to be honored, or his current wishes, despite loss of cognition.

"Patients should be involved in decision making whenever possible," Cooper said.

The discussion focused on maintaining respect for all patients, no matter what their circumstances.

"That loss of intellect doesn't make them any less of a person. Just because I don't remember

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Obituaries

BARBARA R. KIDD

Barbara R. Kidd, 82, passed away July 28, 2011, at her home.
Memorial services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 24, 2012, at the First Presbyterian Church.
The online guest book is available at www.scobeefuneral-home.com, and the 24-hour funeral information line can be reached by calling 744-2122.

Local briefs

St. Agatha hosting annual Health Fair

St. Agatha Academy will host its annual Health Fair from 9 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, March 30. Fourth- and fifth-graders will educate the community about health and wellness. Questions can be directed to 621-1065 or sphelps@cdlex.org.

George Rogers Clark Council to meet

The George Rogers Clark High School-based Decision-making Council will have a special-called meeting March 29 at 4:30 p.m. in the school library.

Winchester Police selling T-shirts

The Winchester Police Department is selling Relay for Life T-shirts for \$10. Shirts are available in children's sizes and adults sizes S-XXL. Size XXL and larger is \$12.
To order a shirt, contact Angie Dearing at the Winchester Police Department.

Cooper Clayton classes to begin April 3

The Cooper Clayton smoking cessation classes will begin at the Clark County Health Department Tuesday, April 3 from 6 to 7 p.m.
Class is free.
For more information, or to register, contact Beth Willet at 744-4482.

State budget vote could be looming

FRANKFORT (AP) — The Kentucky Senate could vote as soon as today on a two-year, \$19.5 billion state budget. Senate Appropriations and Revenue Committee Chairman Bob Leeper said that's the tentative plan. He emphasized that it is subject to change.
The Paducah independent, nursing a severe case of laryngitis, said his committee will "likely" meet this afternoon to vote on General Fund appropriations. He said a floor vote could be held after that.
A Senate vote on the two-year, \$3.5 billion Road Fund budget hasn't yet been scheduled.
The House has already passed the General Fund and Road Fund budgets.

Gov. Steve Beshear called for sharp cuts to most government agencies and programs when he initially presented his budget proposal to lawmakers.
The Senate hasn't divulged any proposed changes to the budget.

Bill lowers age for council members, mayors

FRANKFORT (AP) — Kentucky towns could have 18-year-old city council members and 21-year-old mayors under a House proposal that has cleared the Senate State and Local Government Committee.
The bill sponsored by Republican Rep. Adam Koenig of Erlanger passed the committee 7-0 Wednesday. The House has already passed it.
Koenig said that currently the law requires people to be 21 to serve on a city council or 25 to be mayor, but they can serve in Congress at age 25 or be a county judge-executive at 24.
His original bill would also have allowed citizens to serve as mayor at 18.

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Gas prices a hot topic

MALJAMAR, N.M. (AP) — Wooing a nation of increasingly angry motorists, President Barack Obama and his Republican rivals are all plunging into gas-pump politics, seeking the upper hand as energy becomes a driving issue in the election campaign.

The president is defending his energy agenda this week, traveling Wednesday to a solar panel plant in Nevada and oil and gas fields in New Mexico and the site of a future oil pipeline in Oklahoma that the White House is promising to accelerate. At the same time, GOP opponents from front-runner Mitt Romney on down are vigorously accusing him of stifling domestic production and betting on foolhardy alternative energy methods over traditional oil drilling.

With gasoline reaching \$3.86 a gallon in the U.S. and apparently heading higher, the public is impatient for Obama — or someone in his place — to do something about it. In truth, a president has little direct control over gas prices, which have risen more than 50 cents a gallon since January.

Well aware of Republicans' criticism, Obama's advisers argue that voters take a sophisticated view toward energy and think about it as a problem demanding long-term answers. They know that talk about future solutions may not satisfy people as they endure high prices, but they're betting that voters will side with the candidate they trust the most to deal with the issue — and they're determined that that will be Obama.

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arrest.

Reports

— At 6:35 a.m. Monday, Michelle Todd of 533 Acadia Way reported that sometime overnight someone broke into her vehicle and took several items while it was parked in the driveway.
— At 10 a.m. Monday, Josh Akers of 4925 Rockwell Road reported that an unidentified male stole a trailer from the business.
— 4:22 p.m. Wednesday, Eddie Crews of 2109 Old Boonesboro Road reported that several items were stolen from a barn at his residence.

WINCHESTER POLICE

Charged

— Marcus Alan Francis, 22, of 226 Whitney Ct., was charged Wednesday with second-degree fleeing or evading police on foot, buying or possessing drug paraphernalia, first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and resisting

Reports

— At 2:40 p.m. Wednesday, a woman at St. Agatha Academy, 244 S. Main St., reported that a family member had assaulted her in the courtyard and was leaving the scene in her car.
— At 4:20 p.m. Wednesday, someone reported that a trailer had been stolen from 13 Maryland Ave.
— At 4:26 a.m. today, a woman at 104 Fitch Ave. reported vandalism after she and her daughter found that someone threw a brick through her back window.

WINCHESTER FIRE-EMS

— On Wednesday, emergency personnel conducted seven local transfers and two out-of-town transfers. They also responded to five general medical calls, one motor vehicle assist, two cardiac cases and one respiratory case.

State briefs

Panel passes tax relief for tornado victims

FRANKFORT (AP) — The House Appropriations and Revenue Committee has approved a proposal for sales tax relief for victims of the March 2 tornadoes that damaged Kentucky communities.

Rep. Will Stacy, D-West Liberty, who introduced the measure at a bipartisan press conference on Tuesday, brought it before the committee Wednesday at a special called meeting, and it passed unanimously.

Stacy said he expects the bill to go to the House floor on Thursday.

The bill would provide a rebate of the state's 6 percent sales tax on materials used to rebuild houses, business buildings and other structures in the counties where the owners' losses occurred. The owners would have to show receipts and proof of losses from their insurance companies or the Federal Emergency Management Agency in order to get re-

imbursed by the Revenue Cabinet.

The relief would apply to the 21 counties that were declared eligible for federal disaster area assistance by President Barack Obama.

The bill would also help school districts by authorizing the state commissioner of education to authorize 10 additional emergency or disaster days that would not be counted against their average daily attendance figures. It would give those districts the option to use last year's ADA figures instead of this year's if attendance is lower so that their funding would not decrease.

Bill would give pretrial incarceration credit

FRANKFORT (AP) — Defendants who are given home incarceration prior to trial would be given credit for the time served as part of their sentences under a bill approved by the Senate.

On Wednesday, the Senate voted 32-2 to pass the proposal

by Sen. Robin Webb, a Grayson Democrat.

The only senators who voted against it were Republicans Damon Thayer of Georgetown and John Schickel of Union.

Senate takes aim at copper thefts

FRANKFORT (AP) — Scrap yards would be barred from paying cash for copper and other recyclable metals under legislation that cleared the Senate on Wednesday.

The measure requires people who sell scrap metal to be paid by check that would be sent by mail, a move that could give police names and addresses if the metals are later found to be stolen.

The Senate voted 33-0 for the bill, which now returns to the House for final passage.

The bill's sponsor, Democratic state Rep. Tanya Pullin of South Shore, said metal thieves have taken guardrails, manhole covers, catalytic converters, utility lines, even rooftop air conditioning units.

The Winchester Sun local forecast

Local 5-Day Forecast

Fri 3/23	Sat 3/24	Sun 3/25	Mon 3/26	Tue 3/27
82/61	76/54	65/50	69/48	73/48
Intervals of clouds and sunshine.	Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	Scattered thunderstorms possible.	Few showers. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 40s.	Sunshine. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 40s.
Sunrise 7:36 AM	Sunrise 7:35 AM	Sunrise 7:33 AM	Sunrise 7:32 AM	Sunrise 7:30 AM
Sunset 7:51 PM	Sunset 7:52 PM	Sunset 7:53 PM	Sunset 7:54 PM	Sunset 7:55 PM

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Kentucky At A Glance

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ashland	84	55	mst sunny	Glasgow	81	61	cloudy	Murray	65	54	rain
Bowling Green	80	61	t-storm	Hopkinsville	74	57	t-storm	Nashville, TN	76	61	t-storm
Cincinnati, OH	84	58	mst sunny	Knoxville, TN	82	59	t-storm	Owensboro	75	57	t-storm
Corbin	82	57	pt sunny	Lexington	82	62	pt sunny	Paducah	63	52	rain
Covington	84	61	mst sunny	Louisville	83	63	cloudy	Pikeville	86	61	t-storm
Cynthiana	83	59	pt sunny	Madisonville	74	56	t-storm	Prestonsburg	84	57	mst sunny
Danville	81	60	pt sunny	Mayfield	66	52	rain	Richmond	81	61	pt sunny
Elizabethtown	81	60	cloudy	Middlesboro	85	57	pt sunny	Russell Springs	82	59	pt sunny
Evansville, IN	74	56	t-storm	Morehead	82	59	mst sunny	Somerset	82	60	pt sunny
Frankfort	82	61	pt sunny	Mount Vernon	81	58	pt sunny	Winchester	82	61	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	79	60	t-storm	Houston	79	56	pt sunny	Phoenix	80	54	sunny
Boston	81	54	mst sunny	Los Angeles	68	50	mst sunny	San Francisco	57	43	pt sunny
Chicago	78	58	t-storm	Miami	82	70	pt sunny	Seattle	47	33	mixed
Dallas	71	50	t-storm	Minneapolis	68	54	rain	St. Louis	68	53	rain
Denver	64	43	sunny	New York	75	58	mst sunny	Washington, DC	78	59	pt sunny

Moon Phases

UV Index

The UV Index is measured on a 0-11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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Lunch corner

Here's what local schools are serving Friday, March 23

Elementary schools

Breakfast

Choice of breakfast pizza, cereal and toast, yogurt and toast, juice, fruit and milk.

Lunch

Choice of chicken nuggets, shrimp poppers, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, chef salad, french fries, cole slaw, hush puppies, fruit and milk.

Middle schools

Breakfast

Choice of breakfast pizza, cereal and toast, yogurt and toast, juice, fruit and milk.

Lunch

Choice of chicken nuggets, fish nuggets, sack lunch, soup and sandwich, stuffed tomato, macaroni and cheese, glazed sliced carrots, rolls, fruit and milk.

High school

Breakfast

Choice of biscuit and gravy, sausage biscuit, peanut butter and jelly, breakfast pastry or muffin, cereal and toast, juice or fruit.

Lunch

Country Kitchen: popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, biscuit.

Salad and More: Salad choice, soup and sensational sandwich, turkey and Swiss on pretzel bun.

Pizza line: pizza choice.

Hot Zone: mini cheeseburgers, fish sandwich, healthy chips, vegetable of the day.

Chicken and More: popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, biscuit.



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'Stand Your Ground Law' at center of Fla. shooting

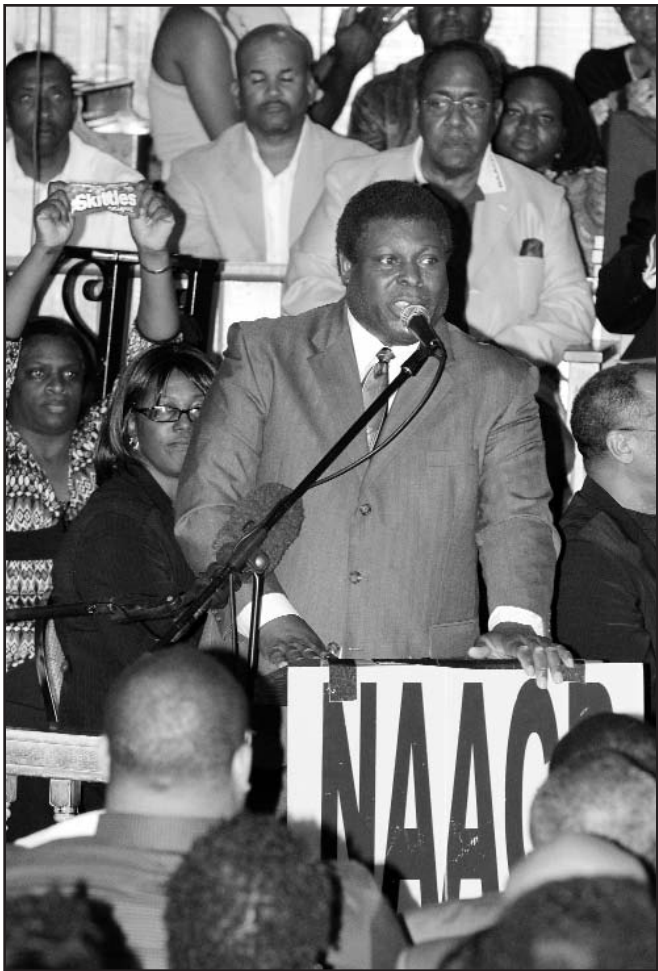
MIAMI (AP) — Florida is among 21 states with a "Stand Your Ground Law," which gives people wide latitude to use deadly force rather than retreat during a fight. The self-defense law helps explain why a neighborhood watch captain has not been arrested in the shooting death of an unarmed teenager.

The Florida law lets police officers on the scene decide whether they believe the self-defense claim. In many cases, the officer's defer to making the arrest, letting the courts work out whether the deadly force is justified. In this case, however, police have said they are confident they did the right thing by not charging 28-year-old George Zimmerman, a white Hispanic.

The shooting's racial overtones have sparked a national outcry and debate over whether the shooting was warranted. And like many self-defense cases, two sides of the story have emerged.

Zimmerman told police he was attacked by 17-year-old Trayvon Martin after he had given up chasing the boy and he was returning to his truck. He had a bloody nose and blood on the back of his head, according to police. Martin's family questions Zimmerman's story, and believes if their races were reversed, there is no doubt a black shooter would be jailed, even if he claimed self-defense.

"They are making it look like Zimmerman is the victim and their son is in the grave," said Benjamin Crump, attorney for Martin's



AP photo

Clayton Turner from the Sanford chapter of the NAACP, talks to a congregation of supporters Tuesday in Sanford, Fla. during a protest against the lack of prosecution in reference to an unarmed black teenager, who was shot to death by a neighborhood watch captain in Florida. The case has sparked protests and drawn attention to the growing number of states that allow people to use deadly force if they feel threatened.

parents. "It's about equal justice."

The Justice Department and FBI have opened a civil rights investigation, and the local prosecutor has convened a grand jury April 10 to determine whether to charge Zimmerman.

Based on what's publicly known about the case, Michael Siegel, a former fed-

eral prosecutor who now directs the Criminal Justice Center and Clinics at the University of Florida law school, said it appears Sanford police were too quick to decide whether Zimmerman should be charged. If the evidence is murky, he said the usual practice is to make the arrest and let the court system sort it out.

House panel approves contentious GOP budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's on to the House floor for a deficit-slashing GOP budget plan.

That's the next step after the House Budget Committee approved the bold but contentious blueprint by a near party-line vote late Wednesday.

Republican leaders may have a tougher time corraling the votes to pass the measure through the full House, where some tea party conservatives think it doesn't go far enough, even though it calls for cutting \$5.3 trillion from President Barack Obama's budget over the coming decade, including sweeping cuts to federal health care programs and social programs aimed at the poor.

The GOP plan is nonbinding but calls for repealing Obama's health care law, while transforming Medicare into a system in which the government subsidizes purchases of health insurance on the private market in-

stead of directly paying medical bills.

The Medicare proposal won't be the subject of follow-up legislation under the arcane budget process on Capitol Hill. Nor do Republicans plan to pass a detailed proposal to overhaul the nation's complicated, loophole-ridden tax code this year.

But other elements of the measure are likely to advance this spring — at least in the GOP-dominated House — as parts of a 10-year, \$261 billion package of cuts to replace deep, across-the-board spending cuts set to hit the Pentagon and domestic agencies in January. Those cuts were required under last year's budget pact because of the failure of the deficit "supercommittee" last fall.

This spring's substitute cuts are likely to target, among other programs, food stamps, federal employee pensions, farm subsidies and a proposal to require higher-income Medicare beneficiar-

ies to pay higher premiums. There's also a proposal to require higher-income Medicare beneficiaries to pay higher premiums. Some of those ideas have been marched through the House before, only to die in the Democratic-controlled Senate. But the agriculture and food stamp cuts haven't — and may prove troublesome.

The Senate has no plans for a companion measure.

The budget measure also would force new austerity on an upcoming round of spending bills for domestic agencies without regard to spending limits carefully negotiated with Obama and Senate Democrats last summer.

The GOP plan, drafted by Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., would use sharp cuts to domestic programs to shrink U.S. deficits to \$3.1 trillion over the coming decade, less than half the size of those proposed by Obama last month.

Gas prices soar across nation

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Some families are canceling vacations while others are buying their gas a gallon at a time.

From all corners of the country, Americans of all kinds are irritated these days by record-high fuel prices. Fill-ups have soared above \$4 a gallon in some states and could top \$5 by summer.

The cost is becoming a political issue just as the presidential campaign kicks into high gear.

A Gallup poll this month found 85 percent of U.S. adults believe the president and Congress should take immediate actions to try to control the rising price of gas.

Meanwhile, fishermen from Maine to Louisiana say they are watching their profits burn up along with their boats' gasoline.

Building contractors, tour boat operators and others say they are passing the cost on to consumers.

GRC

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"I want to ... have an even more polished sound next year," Fallon said.

She plans to review the judges' comments from the assessment and focus on improving those aspects of the orchestra's performance. The orchestra was judged both on performance and ability to sight-read music.

"It's not something everybody gets. They don't just hand you a distinguished,"

Fallon said.

Thirty students participated in the assessment, and Fallon expects this year's large group of freshmen to return.

So far, the Clark County students have been great to work with, Fallon said, and she has loved teaching them.

"The kids had to work really hard, and I pressed them," Fallon said.

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ETHICS

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things as well as I used to doesn't make me less of a person," Cooper said.

As a clinical researcher, Cooper also said decisions must be made on what patients to admit in new studies, and whether patients understand what they are assenting to.

"Any treatment inherently has the potential for some side effects," Cooper said.

Doctors need to make it clear to patients what the potential side effects are, and that they may not receive any benefit from participation. If the benefit were proven, Cooper said, the study would not need to be conducted.

To further complicate the issue, researchers are paid to conduct the trials.

"When money is involved, interests have to be balanced," Cooper said.

Research projects involving human beings must be approved by an independent review board, to look for any potential conflicts of interest, and that the proper scientific guidelines are followed.

Patients should have the right to change their minds

about participation in clinical trials, and if doctors make discoveries about side effects during the trial, patients need to be informed.

In the medical community, the standards for accepting a patient's assent to a treatment are higher than those for rejecting treatment, particularly with invasive or risky procedures.

"An overriding principle is respect for autonomy," Cooper said.

The discussion series will continue Wednesday, March 28 at 7 p.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Church. A potluck dinner will be served at 6 p.m. The public is invited.

Contact Rachel Parsons at rparkers@winchester-sun.com, or follow her on Twitter, @ParsonsRachel.

Kentucky Lottery

These Kentucky lotteries were drawn Wednesday:

5 Card Cash: QH-3C-3H-8H-9H

Cash Ball: 5-21-23-31, Cash Ball: 9, Kicker: 9-9-7-1-1

Pick 3 Evening: 8-1-9

Pick 3 Midday: 5-4-8

Pick 4 Evening: 3-5-0-7

Pick 4 Midday: 5-6-9-7

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The Hunger Games 142 min 1:55, 6:25, 9:30 PG-13	21 Jump Street 110 min 1:25, 4:35, 7:25, 9:55 R
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Silence of the lions

Warning: This column is not suitable for children and its content may be offensive to some.

WASHINGTON — In the wake of “Slutgate,” the operative argument seems to have devolved into a barnyard taunt: “My pig isn’t as bad as your pig.”

This pithy summation comes from Fox News anchor Greta Van Susteren, who has been leading the charge against vile language used to describe women in the public square. Among other things, Van Susteren deserves credit for single-handedly shaming the Radio and Television Correspondents’ Association into parting ways with its headliner for this year’s dinner, comedian Louis C.K.



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On her blog, “Gretawire,” she promised to boycott the dinner and invited others to join the protest. Her reasons should be clear with a quick scan of C.K.’s shtick, which we’ll get to shortly. But first a word about some of the other offenders and why we need to have this conversation.

As many have observed lately, including Peggy Noonan, who last week wrote a powerful column about misogyny aloft in the land, Rush Limbaugh isn’t the only culprit to use the word “slut” and “prostitute” to describe a woman with whom he disagreed. MSNBC’s Ed Schultz called radio host Laura Ingraham a slut and later apologized. Limbaugh, who reserved his comments for a 30-year-old law student, Sandra Fluke, also apologized, if begrudgingly once sponsors began pulling away. And, of course, everyone remembers what happened to Don Imus when he referred to a women’s basketball team, which happened to be mostly African-American, as “nappy-headed hos.”

There isn’t sufficient space here to comb the history of slurs — or how we got to this point from the hilarious “Jane, you ignorant slut” skit from the original “Saturday Night Live,” though a quick note of distinction bears mentioning: Jane Curtin was in on the joke. And, remember, she countered with: “Dan (Aykroyd), you pompous ass.”

Like most women in the media, I’ve grown accustomed to vile and vicious attacks. It’s part of the marinade in which we swim now. I’ve always figured, well, that’s the game. Get tough. Hit delete. Deal. But my feelings, raw as they may be at times, are not what matters. What does matter is that our children are growing up in a world that believes it’s OK to denigrate women. They are witnesses to adults laughing at jokes about women being sluts, whores and worse. When the object of derision is Sarah Palin, “jokes” are even made about her Down syndrome child.

Which brings us back to Louis C.K., whose “jokes” are so beyond anything we should find funny that it’s hard to comprehend how he was selected to amuse a gathering of journalists. Of Palin, he says: “her f—— retard-making c——” and “the baby that just came out of her f—— disgusting c——.”

If you’re not disgusted, please leave now. Similarly, though not nearly as graphically, comedian Bill Maher has called Palin a “dumb t——.” Palin supporters and others concerned with decency have wondered where the outrage was then. Fair question.

Many also wonder why President Obama, who found time to call Fluke out of concern for his own daughters, never raised his voice for Palin. Or why he’s accepting a \$1 million contribution from Maher to his super PAC. Like any candidate, Obama doesn’t control his super PAC, but he does control his voice, and it has been notably silent about certain women.

Let’s be clear: Demeaning women for fun and profit may be legal and permissible in a free society, but it shouldn’t be acceptable. The argument that comedians fall into a different category is valid to a point, but journalists and public leaders don’t have to be parties to their act. It isn’t funny, even if some women apparently think so.

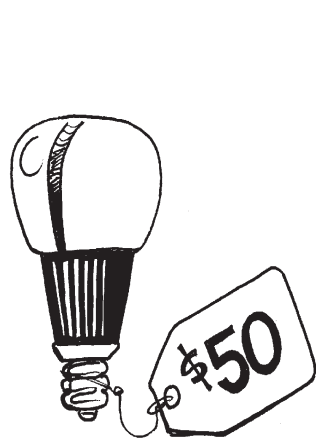
Therein lies at least half the problem. As long as women are yukking it up alongside men while women are reduced to disposable sexual objects and their children regarded as sub-human, well, we have a ways to go. And though such remarks may not hurt successful women like Van Susteren, who is the longest-sitting news anchor on cable TV, they do hurt young women and little girls.

And they also hurt young men and especially little boys, who adore their mothers and who, provided the right example, are capable of becoming the honorable and decent men everyone, including the president, hopes their daughters will marry.

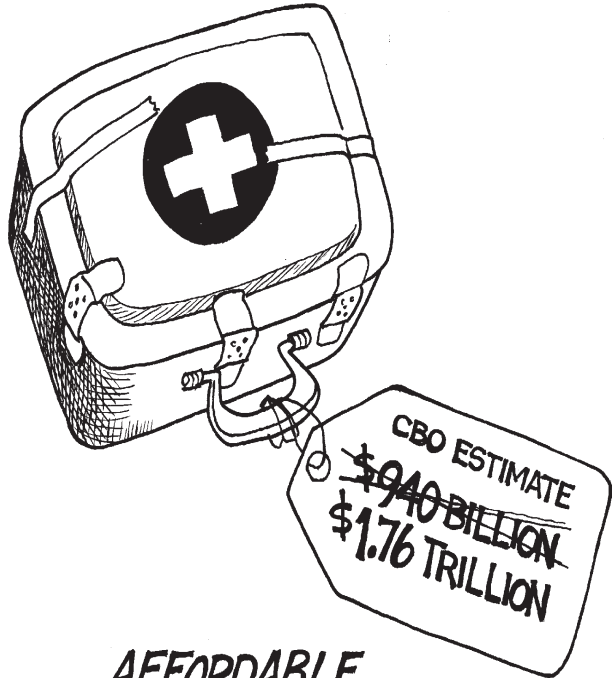
In the barnyard we call American culture, a pig is a pig is a pig.

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The founders never conceived this

WASHINGTON — Next week, Supreme Court justices will begin deciding whether Presi-

dent Obama’s health-care reforms live or die. But if you think that’s ambitious, consider what the modest jurists were debating on Monday: what Americans are allowed to do AFTER they die.



Dana Milbank

Specifically, the question before the court was this: whether a dead man can conceive children.

This odd point of law came before the court after a woman, Karen Capato, gave birth to twins 18 months after her husband died of cancer. She had used sperm he deposited when he was still alive, and she was seeking his Social Security survivor benefits for the kids.

The Constitution is silent on the question of posthumous conception, in large part because people back then did not sire children after death. In addition, the relevant Social Security law, written in 1939, does not get into questions of whether a surviving “child” includes one fertilized in vitro. In other words, the justices pretty much had to wing it.

The transcript of Monday morning’s oral argument before the High Court included, in alphabetical order, the words “illegitimate,” “insemination,” “marital,” “offspring,” “reproduced,” “reproduction,” “reproductive,” “sperm,” “unmarried,” “wedlock,” “wife” and “wives.” And that’s not even getting into Justice Sonia Sotomayor’s description of “biological input” into the procreative process.

Clearly, the justices were on another of their field trips from their judicial chambers to Americans’ bedchambers.

“Let’s assume Ms. Capato remarried but used her deceased husband’s sperm to birth two children, ...” Sotomayor posited. “Would they qualify for survivor benefits even though she is now remarried?”

“What happens if the decedent is the mother?” Sotomayor also wanted to know. ... “Does marriage matter only if it’s the father?”

The justice was not done forming new conception concepts. “What if you are a sperm donor? Does any offspring that sperm donor have qualify?”

“What if,” Chief Justice John Roberts posed, “the Capato twins were conceived four years after the death in this case? Would your argument be the same?”

And Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg asked whether people in 1939 would have “understood that the marriage ends when a parent dies.”

The lawyers dutifully chased each scenario. “Today there are many cases in which biological parentage is not determinative of legal parentage,” argued administration lawyer Eric Miller, defending the Social Security’s decision not to pay benefits.

The argument was at once picayune (not many babies are conceived with a dead parent’s seed) and profound (the justices have to resolve the definition of what a child is), and the case raised questions of federal versus state powers.

But mostly the case shows the struggle of an 18th-century legal system to keep up with 21st-century technology. As Justice Samuel Alito noted, “they never had any inkling about the situation that has arisen in this case” when members of Congress wrote the law.

The phenomenon is happening more often, and with more consequence — notably in the area of abortion, where legal standards have been outstripped by technologies such as the morning-after pill and the ability to make younger fetuses viable.

On the matter of posthumous conception, at least, justices on both right and left seemed disinclined to guess about what long-dead lawmakers would have thought about not-yet-invented technologies.

Charles Rothfeld, arguing for Capato, said lawmakers drafting Social Security in the 1930s only meant to include children of married parents in their definition of child, because that was “the paradigm of a child at that time.”

Justice Antonin Scalia wasn’t buying that. “When Congress says child, child means child, and the mere fact that Congress wrote that at an age when most children were indeed children of married people doesn’t change the word child,” he argued.

Justice Stephen Breyer raised a more practical objection. “There are already children who are eating up all of the money” in the survivor-benefit program, he said.

“And then some new person shows up and you have to take the money away from the other children in order to give it to this new child. And all the time, you don’t know if that’s what the parent who was dead really wanted.”

Ultimately, Roberts said, the child-bearing widow loses the case if the law in question is ambiguous. “Is there any reason we shouldn’t conclude based on the last hour that it’s at least ambiguous?”

“It’s a mess!” answered Justice Elena Kagan.

“I think the problem is that we’re dealing with new technologies that Congress ... wasn’t anticipating at the time,” Rothfeld allowed.

“Congress would not have specifically had in mind, contemplated, the question of posthumous conception.”

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GUEST EDITORIAL

Legislative session was largely unremarkable

The 2012 Kentucky General Assembly has sidestepped or fumbled most of the big issues and has accomplished little of importance. It has been a session of odds and ends, at best. A few, for better or worse, are worth noting:

— It’s probably a good thing, on balance, that House Speaker Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, put the brakes on Senate Bill 12. The measure, pushed by AT&T in particular, would have fully deregulated the telephone industry in Kentucky.

Under the bill, AT&T and others would no longer have to provide basic landline services to all homes and businesses if services could be provided by a competitor or by cell-phone service. That might turn out to be a worthy idea, but Stumbo is right that more study is needed of the bill’s potential impact in rural areas and among the poor and elderly. It’s a fine issue to examine be-

tween sessions.

— It’s distressing that the Senate Education Committee voted to approve SB 9, a measure to undermine diversity and equal educational opportunity in Jefferson County with a demagogic and unworkable appeal to neighborhood schools. The bill, sponsored by Sen. Dan Seum, R-Fairdale, almost certainly would die in the House if it cleared the full Senate. One must certainly hope so.

— The good news is that a bill that would extend domestic-violence protection to people in dating relationships is moving through the House. The bad news is that Senate Judiciary Chairman Tom Jensen, R-London, said that it’s unlikely his committee will even hold a hearing on the measure, House Bill 498. Jensen said that “a lot of people” don’t think it’s a necessary protection. Women in violent situations will just have to take comfort that the men who run the Senate can be so sure.

— House Concurrent Resolution 192, which would create a task force to consider an overhaul of decades-old laws that are blamed for a high rate of incarceration of juveniles for minor and non-violent offenses, appears on its way to passage.

That’s a good first step, though the follow-up will be crucial. The legislators pushing the measure, Jensen and Rep. John Tilley, D-Hopkinsville, headed a similar effort in 2010 that led to a re-vamping of how the state punishes adults for less serious crimes.

— The Senate needs to blow the dust off HB 308, which has languished in committee there for more than a month. The bill would provide badly needed oversight and regulation to for-profit colleges — and protect the educational and financial interests of vulnerable students.

**The Courier-Journal,
Louisville, March 17**

Out with the old, in with the new

Columnist remembers visits to old hospital, looks forward to new one

First of all, congratulations to all who were involved in the building of the new hospital. I feel happy that Winchester and Clark County will have a new state-of-the-art hospital. I am anxiously awaiting going to the grand opening of the hospital and seeing it for the first time.

Seeing a picture of the old hospital brought memories of it in my mind. I really had a front row seat to get to view it every day for a year while I was a freshman in high school. My home economics class was on the side of the old Clark County High school, directly across from the hospital, where I could sit at my desk and watch people come and go from the hospital.

One day I was looking out the window to the hospital and saw Brother Cova Duvall coming down the hospital stairs on crutches. No, I wasn't happy he was on crutches, but I realized he was being released from the hospital after having broken his leg. I could just imagine how happy he was. He was one of the hardest working preachers I ever knew. It was nothing for him to be on a rooftop hammering or working long, hard hours with the other workers, to do his part on building Boone's Creek Camp.

Brother Cova was the evangelist at

Kiddville Baptist and had been in my home on occasion when I was a child. He is now well up in years, but still loved and respected by so many. I thought of all the times he had made trips into that hospital to visit the sick or hold a hand. One of the times it affected some of my family members was when my uncle's family was in the gas explosion. As soon as Brother Cova found out, he was there to offer his support. I often wondered how he could accomplish all he did in a week's time.

Then my mind went to the current hospital, that will soon be a memory, as well. My daughter, Shanda, had an appendectomy surgery on New Year's Eve night in 1985. I remember trying to stay awake to see the old year out and the New Year in after a day of uncertainty and worry over Shanda's appendicitis attack. I had drifted off to sleep on the floor next to her bed, and was awakened by a sweet little nurse who sat down a cup of cider

and a cupcake and said very gently, "Happy New Year!"

Though groggy and tired, I thought it was sweet of her to think of me, and I appreciated the hospital staff's efforts so much.

My next experience was another appendectomy, with my stepdaughter, Erica. Her care and treatment were also good. She also had two of our little grandsons in that hospital birthing unit.

Then, I was a patient there for four days, three years ago. I have to say my care was good and I was treated well. They found out what was ailing me at the time. I was allergic to the statin drug to treat my high cholesterol. Having been sick on Friday and waking up one Saturday morning and feeling pretty badly, I decided to go to the doctor without telling my family, thinking I could get in and out, get the medication I would need and soon be feeling better.

I first visited the Immediate Care Center closest to my home, then they sent me to the hospital for some tests. Not too concerned, I went to have the tests, thinking the results would probably be the next week. I had plans to go to Louisville for my granddaughter's first birthday party the next day, and I wasn't

going to miss it, I thought. The hospital E.R. doctor had other plans, and I was admitted to the hospital and had to call my family. My treatment there equaled that I received in all my other hospital visits in larger cities.

As I am writing this, I am thinking and wondering what my first experience at the new hospital will be. By this time next year, I am sure I will have either gone there for a test or visited someone as a patient there. I wish for blessings on each person who goes through those doors. I pray blessings on all the caregivers, and especially the doctors and nurses who make the decisions for the patients. Best of luck!

Just think, someday in the future someone will write about a newer, more up-to-date hospital that will be built, and I wonder just what could be added that the hospital wouldn't have now.

Maybe, just maybe, it will be a treatment that will forever cure cancer or another horrible disease once diagnosed. Just think what the treatment for cancer was in the first Clark County hospital, then think how much the treatment has improved.

It gives one hope, doesn't it? All things change with time.



Sue Staton

Twins' early arrival spoils father's plans

MIDDLESBORO (AP) — Army soldier Craig Lewis had planned to take leave and return home to eastern Kentucky for the birth of his twin sons — but they came earlier than expected.

Megan Lewis wasn't due until April 5. She told WYMT-TV that her water broke a month early and it was impossible for her husband to make it to Middlesboro Appalachian Regional Hospital to see Michael and Ezekiel born.

However, Pfc. Lewis was able to get leave and made it home on March 12, just a few days after the boys were born. He changed his first diaper on the way home from the airport.

Megan Lewis said even though her husband had been deployed for seven months before the babies came, he wasn't a stranger to

them.

"They know his voice; they had not heard his voice in so long and that's what I was scared of," she said.

Craig Lewis said the first thing he noticed about his twins was their size — they each weighed in at just more than 5 pounds.

"They are so itty bitty," he said.

He'll get to enjoy time with his wife and newborn sons until March 28 when he heads back to Afghanistan for five more months.

Megan Lewis said she is grateful that her husband got to return home at least for a short time.

"It's a lot of help and he gets to meet with them and bond with them," she said.

Her husband said it will be hard to leave.

"It makes me sad, I don't want to go," he said.

Alleged burglars found snoozing in victim's home

KUTTAWA (AP) — Sometimes a guy just has to take a nap. Even if it's in a house he's charged with burglarizing.

Kentucky State Police charged 20-year-old Austin B. McDowell of Princeton and 21-year-old Giovanni J. Lane of Paducah with third-degree burglary after a man who was taking care of a house in Kuttawa found them sleeping inside it.

The Paducah Sun quoted a police statement in reporting McDowell and Lane ran when the caretaker awak-

ened them. McDowell was arrested at truck stop on Interstate 24 and police found Lane in the woods.

A check of the Caldwell County Jail on Tuesday morning showed McDowell had made bond and Lane was still held. Records didn't show whether they had attorneys.

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March 22, 1987

Approximately 100 gallons of spaghetti sauce have been made for the 32nd annual St. Agatha Spaghetti Supper. Bernadette Schagene and Kathy Houlihan helped prepare the sauce earlier this week for freezing. Tickets are available from St. Agatha students or

at the door.

Hagan Codell presented the paper of the evening, "Purdy's, the Guns and the Family," at Thursday evening's meeting of the Lamplighters Club held at the home of Don Ross, Winchester Road, Lexington. Present were Jack W. Buchanan, Jerry Cecil, James W. Clay, Mr. Codell,

Robert F. Collins, Dr. Edward O. Guerrant, Richard F. McCready Jr., Charles L. Morgan, William R. Pumphrey, Asa R. Sphar II, William R. Sphar Jr., S. Dudley Taylor and Mr. Ross.

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- A 65-year-old woman has a 50 percent chance of living to age 88 and a 25 percent chance of living to 94.
- There's a 50 percent chance that at least one member of a 65-year-old couple will live to 92 — and

there's a 25 percent chance at least one of them will reach age 97.

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While you can certainly get some key benefits from a LIRP and a fixed annuity, you need to fully understand all aspects of these investment vehicles and make sure they are suitable for your situation and individual needs. Consequently, before investing, consult with a financial professional.

But don't wait too long. By preparing for your retirement well ahead of time, you can boost your chances of enjoying the type of "golden years" lifestyle that you've envisioned.

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TMMK President Will James makes a presentation during Toyota's celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Georgetown plant.

Toyota president named among most influential African Americans

The Georgetown News-Graphic

Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc. President Will James has been named to Savoy Magazine's 2012 Top 100 Most Influential Blacks in Corporate America.

The Savoy Top 100 can be found in its 11th Anniversary Spring issue and is considered the definitive listing of African-American influencers and achievers impacting corporate America.

"This year's Top 100 features an elite group of executives entrusted with leadership at the highest levels of America's corporations," said L. P. Green, II, Publisher of Savoy Magazine. "Savoy is proud to feature professionals boldly redefining and representing leadership in their respective organizations

through the Top 100 list."

James is a 25-year veteran of Toyota and has held several executive-level positions within the company. As president of TMMK, he leads Toyota's largest manufacturing facility in North America and the second largest in the world.

James received his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology from Old Dominion University in 1978. He also holds an Associate's degree in Applied Sciences from Old Dominion University, earned in 1976.

A native of Norfolk, Va., James serves on the Board of Directors for the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, The Board of the Bluegrass Economic Advancement Movement and is Toyota's Diversity Champion for its manufacturing facilities across North America.

New business



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Char Don Hisle of Created By You, along with husband Bobby, cuts the ribbon for her business which is located at 850 By-pass Road, Suite C. The pottery studio offers a chance to paint your own customized pottery. Store hours are 5:30 – 9 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Saturday and 1 – 6 p.m. Sunday.

These Frankfort redheads make funny labels, hot sauce

**By Keren Henderson
Frankfort State Journal**

The humorous, homemade labels on 3 Pepper Head Sauce featuring three men wearing red peppers on their heads might have caused confusion about the product, but it's really quite simple.

Three longtime friends — Jeff Bradshaw, Jeff Ellis and Tim Klarer — have been making the red chili sauce for years, and after developing something of a cult following among their friends, the Pepper Heads decided to market the recipe to the masses last year.

"The three of us decided to plant a bunch of jalapeño plants and make a bunch of sauce and give it to all our friends, and they loved it," Klarer said.

"So then we made a bunch more, and people loved it, so we made a bunch more."

They grow the jalapeños organically on Klarer's Midway farm, wait for them to ripen, and then call on all their Pepper Head friends to help harvest the peppers and bottle the sauce within 24 hours.

"You can buy green jalapeños all day long, but ripe ones, the red ones, don't last long," Ellis explains. "We pick them, and we cook them the very next day. That's why there's a lot of work involved."

Klarer estimates that nearly 100 friends and family

have helped over the years, and they all look forward to the harvest. The pay's not so good — a bottle of sauce — but for friends who go back as far as 40 years, it's worth it.

During bottling, which takes place at the Woodford County Extension Office, the guys pull out their pepper hats made early on by Bradshaw's wife, Celeste Thornton.

"We did a whole lot of late night business in those days, and we were up until 2 in the morning one night playing with these peppers, and I had the idea to have these hats made," Bradshaw explains.

Ellis' wife, Jume, and Klarer's wife, Rosanne, pitch in often too.

The Pepper Heads say the sauce is unique because it's

got a lot of flavor without the flame.

"It's a very simple, pure sauce," Ellis said, listing the ingredients: vine-ripened peppers, fresh garlic, salt, water and vinegar.

They suggest using it on eggs, Mexican dishes, beans and rice, burgers, soups, chili, stews and just about anything else that tastes better with a

good hot sauce.

"I keep a bottle in my truck, and if I buy boring food, like cheap fish at a restaurant, I'll add a little bit and end up with a nice meal," Ellis admits.

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"We still offer the same great selection and service," Fouch said, "and war-

ranties from previous purchases are still in effect. The only thing that has changed is the location."

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BOAT: 12' fiberglass john boat with trailer.

COLLECTIBLES AND MISG: B and O railroad lantern, several tobacco tins, coffee grinder, Johnson Brothers china, Caroque golf cart, cast iron items including muffin pans, skillets, boot scraper, corn sticks, pens and more, Texaco fire truck, hunting knife, blacksmith tool caddy, lots of framed prints, antique toys and games, old train and model boats, lamps, old children books, lots of cast iron banks, 3 gal. crock chum, baking powder tin, quilt, apartment size refrigerator, Klarer's chalk board, liners, old bottles, old French army helmet, bellows, child's folding table, office chairs, brass scale, whiskey barrel end table office desk, wall cabinet, Dr.'s scale, plant stand, old ammo. box and much more.

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Mayor Ed Burtner presents Service to Winchester certificates to the STRIDE Cardinals, who won the state basketball championship for Special Olympics in the 1A Division at the Hoops complex in Louisville March 4. From left are City Commissioners Rick Beach, Kitty Strode and Kenny Book, Burtner, STRIDE director Lauren Mink, Skyler Stump, Hayden Fox, Kirk Greene, Ricky Woosley, Bradley Lane, Charlie Rose and coach Darren Diguette, with City Commissioner Shannon Cox in the back. Team member Tony Teague was not present.

N. Korea search for remains on hold again

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States said Wednesday it is suspending efforts to recover remains of thousands of fallen service members in North Korea, the latest sign that a recent thaw in relations is over.

The U.S. was in the process of resuming the hunt for remains missing from the 1950-53 Korean War that had been on hold since 2005, the only form of cooperation between the two militaries.

But North Korea announced plans last week to launch a satellite into space by rocket — a step the U.S. says would violate a U.N. ban. That knocked back recent progress in negotiations on the North's nuclear program,

and has jeopardized a Feb. 29 agreement in which the U.S. was to provide food aid in exchange for a nuclear freeze.

The U.S. left open the door to resuming remains recovery if the situation improves.

North Korea says the rocket launch, intended to mark the centennial of the nation's founder in mid-April, has peaceful aims. The U.S. and other countries suspect it would serve to test capabilities of a long-range missile.

Pyongyang has also threatened a "sacred war" against rival South Korea, in response to recent U.S.-South Korean military drills.

The agreement on resuming the troop recovery operations was made last October,

and the program was beginning this month. The U.S. had already sent equipment by ship, and an advance team had been due in the country this month. North Korea would have received millions in compensation this year for its support of the operations.

Pentagon press secretary George Little told reporters that North Korea has not acted appropriately in recent days and weeks and "it's important for them to return to the standards of behavior that the international community has called for."

"When there are suggestions that they might launch ballistic missiles, when they make bellicose statements about South Korea, and en-

gage in actions that could be construed as provocative, we think that it's not the right time to undertake this effort," he said.

He said at some point the U.S. hopes to restart the recovery effort.

More than 7,960 U.S. servicemen are unaccounted for from the Korean War, which ended without a formal peace treaty, leaving the adversaries in a state of war. Some 5,300 of the missing are believed to be in North Korea.

Pentagon spokeswoman Tara Rigler said North Korea had refused to take agreed steps, including permitting the U.S. advance team into the country.

Allergy misery, pollen spreading through the South

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Allergy season has come early and hit with a wheezing vengeance in parts of the South and Midwest this year, thanks largely to an unusually warm winter. Abundant pollen is causing watery eyes, sniffles and sneezing.

Doctors say the spring misery stretches from Mississippi to Ohio and from Georgia to Texas, where drought conditions have exacerbated the problem. Forecasters and allergists blame the unseasonably warm weather, and few cold snaps, for causing plants to bloom weeks earlier than normal and release the allergy-causing particles.

Foundation of America says more than 40 million Americans have nasal allergies, popularly called hay fever. In severe cases, sufferers have difficulty breathing that can send them to the emergency room.

Stephanie Baxter was walloped when she returned to Gallatin, Tenn., from a vacation in Florida last week.

"We hit Tennessee and they started," she said. "I have every possible symptom you can have. I'm trying to keep my energy because I have a 3-month-old and a 3-year-old. There's no time for rest."

For three years, the foundation has ranked Knoxville, Tenn., as the worst city in the country for allergies — based on pollen counts, sales of allergy medications and the presence allergy specialists. The city has been up to 20 degrees warmer than normal the past few weeks. Spring arrived prematurely — along with sales of nose spray.

In some areas, allergists say pollen counts this week are as high as they've ever recorded. A clinic at Vanderbilt University in Nashville recorded 11,000 grains of pollen per cubic meter Tuesday, the worst in the 12 years they've tracked the number. The Atlanta Allergy & Asthma Clinic has measured pollen since the 1980s and says this week's counts have beaten a high mark recorded there in April 1999. Their count for Tuesday was almost 9,400. Fifteen-hundred is considered very high.

The medical director of the Vanderbilt Asthma, Sinus and Allergy Program says he's been seeing more patients — even while feeling puny himself.

"I'm kind of sniffly today," Dr. David Hagaman said Tuesday.

The Asthma and Allergy

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"It's blooming so early," said Sam Roberts, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Morristown, Tenn. "Grass mowing has started early this year and stirred things up."

Ranee Randby, community relations director for the Knox County Health Department, said Knoxville's scenic location in the Tennessee valley contributes to the problem.

"We're surrounded by mountains and whatever gets in here stays in here. It's like a bowl," she said.

Judge uses chokehold on man for outburst

HONOLULU (AP) — It got personal for a judge in Honolulu when he put a man in a chokehold for jumping onto his bench and breaking a flagpole bearing the state flag, authorities said.

District Judge Lono Lee knocked down Steven Michael Hauge and restrained him Monday after the man caused a ruckus in Lee's courtroom, Department of Public Safety spokes-

woman Toni Schwartz told the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.

Hauge had been going from courtroom to courtroom in the Honolulu District Court building screaming, State Sheriff Shawn Tsuha said. "He was quite upset about something," Tsuha said.

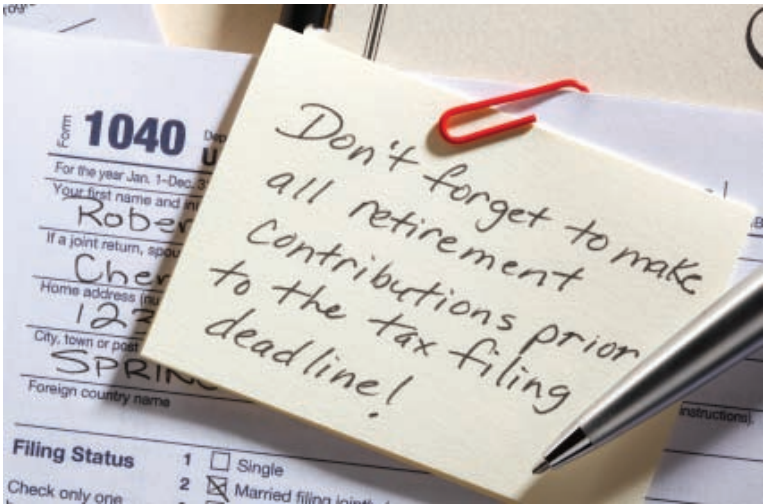
It was not clear why Hauge was in the building. Court records show a criminal record dating to 1977 with more than 50 convictions on

charges including, burglary, fraud and assault.

Hauge was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, obstruction of government operations and fourth-degree criminal property damage. Tsuha said Hauge allegedly broke the flag's staff while swinging it.

Hauge couldn't be reached for comment Wednesday at Oahu Community Correctional Center.

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Best games

If we're going to tout how great the matchups are, we might as well start off by pointing out a few.

Syracuse vs. Wisconsin. The Orange live for creating turnovers; the Badgers hold onto the ball as if it were a pot of gold coins. Should be fun to see how this battle of styles and wills plays out.

Michigan State vs. Louisville. A battle of minds between Cardinals coach Rick Pitino and the Spartans' Tom Izzo. A couple of pretty good teams with some good players, too.

Kentucky vs. Indiana. Don't think the Wildcats have forgotten about that Assembly Hall court storming after Indiana's win in December. Two traditional powers, too; a combined for 12 national titles between them.

Marquette vs. Florida. The Gators can shoot, particularly from the 3-point arc. The Golden Eagles are tough and like to play defense. Another will-inflicting game.

Unsung heroes

We know the stars, the big names who get all the attention. But just below the marquee are a handful of under-the-radar players who are there to support the headliner, sometimes even steal the show.

Here's a few who have grabbed the spotlight so far:

Brady Heslip, Baylor. He's open soon as he crosses midcourt and has killed teams that collapse on Baylor's big front line in the NCAA tournament. In case you didn't see it, he hit a 10th 3-pointer on the way to the locker room after demolishing Colorado on Saturday.

Marquis Teague, Kentucky. Once considered Kentucky's lone weak spot, the freshman had 24 points, seven assists and four rebounds against Colorado.

Jeff Withey, Kansas. Thomas Robinson and Tyshawn Taylor make the Jayhawks go. Withey becoming more assertive helped take them to the regional semis.

Aaron Craft, Ohio State. The Buckeyes' point guard can score and has great court vision. His biggest contribution could be defense; he can take an opposing guard completely out of a game.

Russ Smith, Louisville. The Cardinals guard can be a difference-maker and was against New Mexico, scoring 17 points. He disappeared a few times this season, which Louisville can't afford at this point.

Numbers

0 — Losses by 29-7 Baylor outside the Big 12.

1 — Team left from last year's Final Four: Kentucky.

3 — Conference tournament champions in the round of 16: Michigan State, Louisville and Ohio.

4 — Teams from the Big Ten and Big East left in the tournament.

10 — Times Michigan State has reached the regional semifinals in the last 15 years.

10 1/2 — Point spread for North Carolina over Ohio, widest among the eight games.

48 — Years since Ohio last reached the round of 16.

50 — Years since Cincinnati beat Ohio State in the national title game for the second year in a row. The Bearcats and Orange play Thursday in Boston.

106 — Miles between Cincinnati and Ohio State, who play each other in Boston in the East Regional.

88,312 — Twitter followers for Kentucky super fan, actress and avid tweeter Ashley Judd, who attended the Wildcats' win over Iowa State on Saturday.

Heading East

The initial 68-team bracket had teams from all over the west, from Arizona and UNLV to Gonzaga and St. Mary's.

Now, they're all gone. Not a single team from the western half of the United States reached the regionals this year, leaving Baylor, in heart-of-Texas Waco, as the last stop in the bracket.

That's 11 states, no teams. Yet Ohio put a record four teams through to the round of 16: Ohio State, Xavier, Cincinnati and Ohio. — *Associated Press*

NCAA Tournament: Kentucky vs. Indiana



Sun photo by Bill Thiry
Kentucky guard Marquis Teague goes in for a layup in the Wildcats' 81-66 victory over Iowa State last Saturday at the KFC Yum! Center in Louisville. The Wildcats take on Indiana at 9:45 Friday night at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, Ga.

Loss still stings

Cats haven't forgotten setback to IU

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun

Darius Miller doesn't like to lose.

The Kentucky senior guard remembers the sting from Christian Watford's 3-pointer at the buzzer that sent Indiana to a 73-72 triumph over the Wildcats on Dec. 10 in Bloomington, Ind. He also hasn't forgotten a 71-64 setback to Vanderbilt in the finals of the Southeastern Conference Tournament on March 11 in New Orleans.

Miller referred to both games as a "tough loss."

"We've got a lot of competitive guys and we don't like to lose," he said.

Like Miller, Marquis Teague isn't fond of losing and remembers the pain the team endured following the last-second loss to Indiana in Assembly Hall.

"That was a rough day for us," he said. "We hate to lose any



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Kentucky vs. Indiana		
	UK	IU
Record	34-2	27-8
Avg. Pts.	77.1	76.9
Opp. Avg. Pts.	59.5	65.4
Margin	17.6	11.5
FG Pct.	.487	.491
Opp. FG Pct.	.370	.424
3-Pt. FG Pct.	.375	.437
Opp. 3-Pt. FG Pct.	.317	.346
3-Pt. FG-Game	5.8	6.4
Opp. 3-Pt. FG-Game	5.6	6.1
FT Pct.	.719	.763
Rebound Margin	7.3	4.4
TO Diff.	0.4	0.6
Avg Steals	6.1	6.6
Avg Blocks	8.7	3.2
The Associated Press		

game, but the way we lost, that just made it that much worse."

Instead of dwelling on the setback to the Hoosiers, Kentucky (34-2) responded with 24 consecutive victories and won 18 games against foes in the Southeastern Conference before falling to the Commodores on Selection Sunday.

Teague said the Wildcats simply "had to move on" after their first and only loss of the regular season.

"We had other games to play," he said.

A rematch between the two border rivals will take place at 9:45 Friday night in Atlanta at the Georgia Dome in the South Region semifinals. The Hoosiers (27-8) are in the Sweet Sixteen for the first time in a decade and enjoying a revival in the Big Dance under Tom Crean. Since that day Indiana fans stormed the court in jubilation following Watford's buzzer-beater, Kentucky has taken its talents to a new level. The Hoosiers also have improved and Kentucky has taken note of Indiana's steady progress throughout the past three months.

"We were a totally different team back then and so are they," Miller said. "I know both teams are going to be ready to go. So, it should be an exciting game."

Kentucky coach John Calipari admires Crean for the way he's restored the Hoosiers' program in such a short time and added that Indiana is a better team than the one that defeated his squad 15 days before Christmas.

"(Tom) has done an unbelievable job," he said. "Think about

See LOSS, B2

Sizzler in the desert?

Louisville ready to test top seed Michigan State

PHOENIX (AP) — Watching his team commit the same mistake for the third time in less than a minute, Louisville coach Rick Pitino screams, "Stop!," shakes his head in disgust and moves the players into the position he expected them to be in.

Michigan State coach Tom Izzo marches around players much taller than he is, clapping and barking out orders, imploring them to run faster, work harder as they race around the court.

On the same court about an hour apart, Pitino and Izzo provided a few dozen fans at US Airways Center a glimpse into what it's like to play for two of the most demanding — and successful coaches — in college basketball.

"Both of them really demand toughness," Michigan State forward Draymond Green said Wednesday. "And both of them are no-nonsense guys who expect everything to be perfect."

Today's West Regional semifinal has the makings of a sizzler in the desert, the fast and furious Cardinals trying to run past the morphable Spartans.

It also features two of the nation's best short-turnaround coaches, great basketball minds who thrive on the adapt-on-the-fly nature of the NCAA tournament.

Izzo has been the king of consistency during his 17 seasons in East Lansing, leading the Spartans to the Final Four six times, including three straight from 1999-2001, along with a national championship in 2000. He's led Michigan State to the NCAA tournament 14 straight years and into the round of 16 in 10 of the past 15 seasons.

There's something else that stands out about Izzo in the NCAA tournament: his teams rarely lose as the favorite.

The Spartans famously lost to mid-major George Mason in the 2006 tournament as a No. 6 seed and to Nevada two years earlier as a seventh seed. All of Michigan State's other losses have come either to a higher seed or in the Final Four.

"I think our leadership has been good most years," Izzo said. "That's why we've had some success."

Pitino's had his share, too.

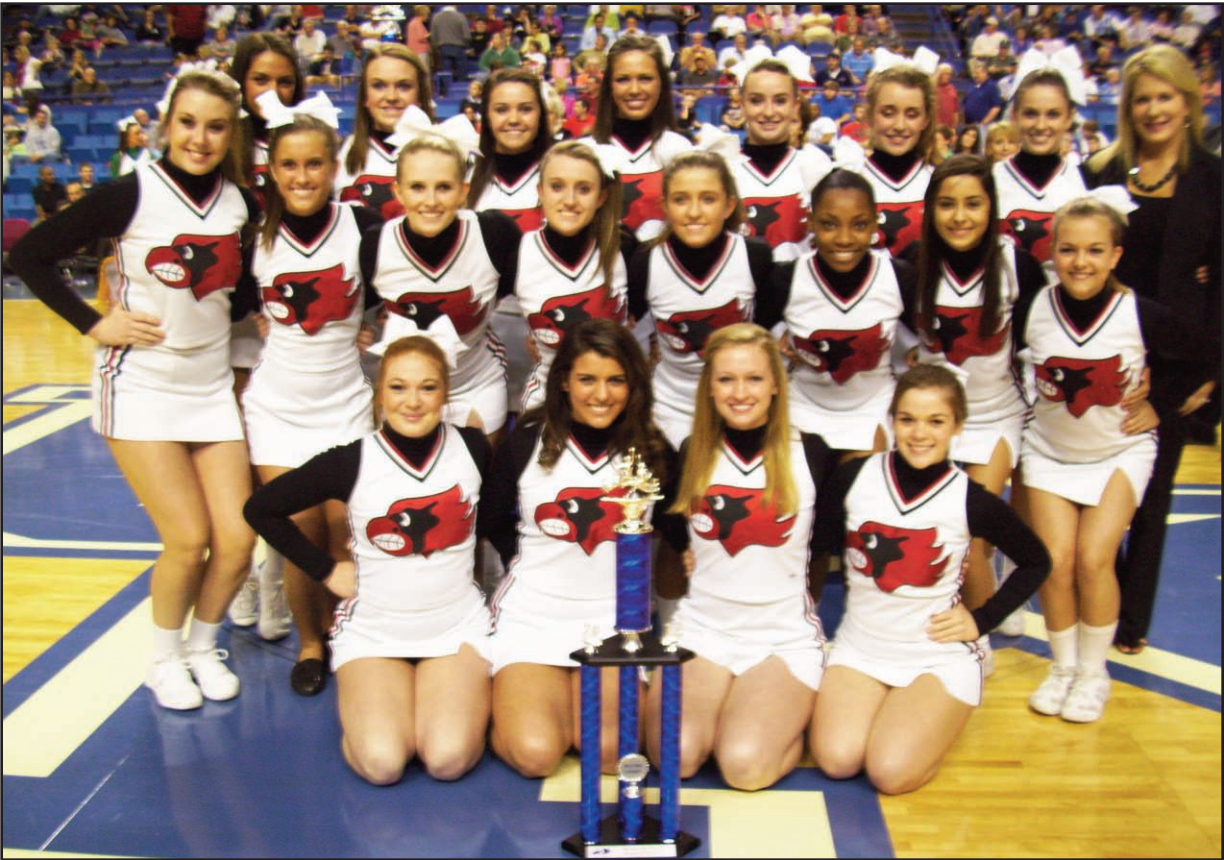
He has gone to the Final Four five times and is the first coach to take three different teams there, starting with Providence's improbable run in 1987. Pitino also led Kentucky to the 1986 national championship, took Louisville to the Final Four in 2005 and picked up his 600th career victory in the Cardinals' opener this season.

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Cheerleaders honored

The George Rogers Clark varsity cheerleaders were second runner-up in the KAPOS in-game competition during the boys Sweet 16 at Rupp Arena last week. Sixteen squads were judged during the opening round and judging was based on spirit, pep and crowd-leading skills, along with a half-time routine. Team members are as follows: Front row: Addison Lowry, Makenzie Waltermire, Joanna Guerrant and Emily Jackson. Second row: Caroline Browning, Katelyn Barrett, Taylor Humphrey, Jordan Conn, Amanda Lewis, Jamaia Daugherty, Julia Barboza and Allyson Ledford. Back row: Hayden Grissam, Emily Rogers, Kaitlyn Marsh, Lindsey Ritchie, Hayley Hummel, Jen Stephens, Madison Sharp and coach Amy Madsen.

Photo submitted



DESERT

FROM PAGE B1

Louisville has won at least 20 games in all but one of Pitino's 11 seasons with the Cardinals — they had 19 his first year in 2001-02 — and been to the NCAA tournament nine of the last 10 years. “He’s a Hall of Fame coach. He’s a great coach to play for,” Louisville point guard Peyton Siva said. “He teaches us a lot about how he’s been to the Sweet 16’s, how he’s been in the Elite 8’s, Final Fours and national championships. And everybody grasps the fact that he has been there and knows what it takes to be successful.”

Pitino’s success has come from the frenetic way his teams play. No matter where he’s been, the 59-year-old coach has instituted a push-the-pace style, his teams relying on 3-pointers and defensive pressure to create easy baskets on the break. He started with Providence during its where-did-they-come-from run and brought it with him to Kentucky and later Louisville. The Cardinals were inconsistent at times this season, but picked up steam at the end, winning four games in four days to earn the Big East championship before beating Davidson and New Mexico to open the NCAA tournament.

“We know he’s going to press,” Izzo said. “We know they’re going to play a lot of zone. Their offense has changed a little bit, but I think for the most part you do get to know programs, and I think these guys have had success for a long time. They tweak their systems, but they don’t change them all the time.”

An ability to adapt has been the core of Izzo’s success.

The Spartans play in the elbow-and-shoulder-filled Big Ten, but can transition to almost any style. They showed off their versatility the last time these teams met in the NCAA tournament, repeatedly breaking Louisville’s press during a 64-52 win that sent them to the 2009 Final Four in Detroit.

Michigan State has adapted well in this year’s tournament, too, outrunning Long Island in its opener before grinding out a victory over Saint Louis.

“We can play any way, we’ve played any way,” Izzo said. “That’s been a plus with our program for I think all 15 years (of playing in the NCAA tournament).”

“We really can play a slugfest or speed — and I do enjoy both.”

He also enjoys a good relationship with the coach who will be just down the sideline from him on Thursday.

When Izzo was considering a jump to the NBA to coach the Cleveland Cavaliers, he consulted with several coaches and friends before making his decision. One of those confidants was Pitino, who had stints coaching the New York Knicks and Boston Celtics and advised Izzo not to go.

“The Coach Ks of the world, the Tom Izzo’s of the world, the Billy Donovan’s, they’re a true treasure for these kids,” Pitino said.

“I mean, just the life lessons these coaches teach these young men. I don’t suggest any college coach go to the pros.”

Izzo didn’t and now Pitino has to find a way to outsmart him. It should be fun to watch.

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NCAA Tournament

Tournament Glance
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EAST REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

At TD Garden

Boston

Thursday, March 22

Syracuse (33-2) vs. Wisconsin (26-9), 7:15 p.m.

Ohio State (29-7) vs. Cincinnati (25-10), 9:45 p.m.

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 24

Semifinal winners

SOUTH REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

At The Georgia Dome

Atlanta

Friday, March 23

Baylor (29-7) vs. Xavier (23-12), 7:15 p.m.

Kentucky (34-2) vs. Indiana (27-8), 9:45 p.m.

Regional Championship

Sunday, March 25

Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

At Edward Jones Dome

St. Louis

Friday, March 23

North Carolina (31-5) vs. Ohio (29-7), 7:47 p.m.

N.C. State (24-12) vs. Kansas (29-6), 10:17 p.m.

Regional Championship

Sunday, March 25

Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

Thursday, March 22

At US Airways Center

Phoenix

Michigan State (29-7) vs. Louisville (28-9), 7:47 p.m.

Marquette (27-7) vs. Florida (25-10), 10:17 p.m.

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 24

Semifinal winners

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1942 — beat Illinois 46-44; lost to Dartmouth 47-28. Final Four.

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1948 — beat Columbia 76-53; beat Holy Cross 60-52; beat Baylor 58-42. NCAA champion.

1949 — beat Villanova 85-72; beat Illinois 76-47; beat Oklahoma A&M 46-36. NCAA champion.

1951 — beat Louisville 79-68; beat St. John’s 59-43; beat Illinois 76-74; beat Kansas State 68-58. NCAA champion.

1952 — beat Penn State 82-54; lost to St. John’s 64-57.

1955 — lost to Marquette 79-71; beat Penn State 84-59.

1956 — beat Wayne State (Mich.) 84-64; lost to Iowa 89-77.

1957 — beat Pittsburgh 98-92; lost to Michigan State 80-68.

1958 — beat Miami (Ohio) 94-70; beat Notre Dame 89-56; beat Temple 61-60; beat Seattle 84-72. NCAA champion.

1959 — lost to Louisville 76-61; beat Marquette 98-69.

1961 — beat Morehead State 71-64; lost to Ohio State 87-74.

1962 — beat Butler 81-60; lost to Ohio State 74-64.

1964 — lost to Ohio 85-69; lost to Loyola of Chicago 100-91.

1966 — beat Dayton 86-79; beat Michigan 84-77; beat Duke 83-79; lost to Texas Western 72-65. NCAA runnerup.

On the Air

Today

GOLF

3 p.m.

TGC — PGA Tour, Arnold Palmer Invitational

6:30 p.m.

TGC — LPGA, Kia Classic, first round

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

7 p.m.

ESPN — Preseason, N.Y. Yankees vs. Boston

MEN’S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

7 p.m.

CBS — NCAA, Division I tournament, regional semifinals, doubleheader, Syracuse vs. Wisconsin and Ohio State vs. Cincinnati at Boston

7:47 p.m.

TBS — NCAA, Division I tournament, regional semifinals, doubleheader, Michigan State vs. Louisville and Marquette vs. Florida at Phoenix

Local Sports

Today

PREP SOFTBALL

7 p.m.

G. Rogers Clark vs. Dublin, Ohio

FRIDAY

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

9:45 p.m.

Kentucky vs. Indiana at the Georgia Dome

PREP BASEBALL

5 p.m.

Mason County at George Rogers Clark

PREP SOFTBALL

George Rogers Clark at Johnson Central Tourney

1968 — beat Marquette 107-89; lost to Ohio State 82-81.

1969 — lost to Marquette 81-74; beat Miami (Ohio) 72-71.

1970 — beat Notre Dame 109-99; lost to Jacksonville 106-100.

1971 — lost to Western Kentucky 107-83; lost to Marquette 91-74.

1972 — beat Marquette 85-69; lost to Florida State 73-54.

Joe B. Hall

1973 — beat Austin Peay 106-100, OT; lost to Indiana 72-65.

1975 — beat Marquette 76-54; beat Central Michigan 90-73; beat Indiana 92-90; beat Syracuse 95-79; lost to UCLA 92-85. NCAA runnerup.

1977 — beat Princeton 72-58; beat VMI 93-78; lost to North Carolina 79-72.

1978 — beat Florida State 85-76; beat Miami (Ohio) 91-69; beat Michigan State 52-49; beat Arkansas 64-59; beat Duke 94-88. NCAA champion.

1980 — beat Florida State 97-78; lost to Duke 55-54.

1981 — lost to UAB 69-62.

1982 — lost to Middle Tennessee State 50-44.

1983 — beat Ohio University 57-40; beat Indiana 64-59; lost to Louisville 80-68, OT.

1984 — beat BYU 93-68; beat Louisville 72-67; beat Illinois 54-51; lost to Georgetown 53-40. Final Four.

1985 — beat Washington 66-58; beat UNLV 64-61; lost to St. John’s 86-70.

Eddie Sutton

1986 — beat Davidson 75-55; beat Western Kentucky 71-64; beat Alabama 68-63; lost to LSU 59-57.

1987 — lost to Ohio State 91-77.

1988 — beat Southern University 99-84; beat Maryland 90-81; lost to Villanova 80-74.

Rick Pitino

1992 — beat Old Dominion 88-69; beat Iowa State 106-98; beat Massachusetts 87-77; lost to Duke 104-103, OT.

1993 — beat Rider 96-52; beat Utah 83-62; beat Wake Forest 103-69; beat Florida State 106-81; lost to Michigan 81-78, OT. Final Four.

1994 — beat Tennessee State 83-70; lost to Marquette 75-63.

1995 — beat Mount St. Mary’s 113-67; beat Tulane 82-60; beat Arizona State 97-73; lost to North Car-

olina 74-61.

1996 — beat San Jose State 110-72; beat Virginia Tech 84-60; beat Utah 101-70; beat Wake Forest 83-63; beat Massachusetts 81-74; beat Syracuse 76-67. NCAA champion.

1997 — beat Montana 92-54; beat Iowa 75-69; beat Saint Joseph’s 83-68; beat Utah 72-59; beat Minnesota 78-69; lost to Arizona 84-79, OT. NCAA runnerup.

Tubby Smith

1998 — beat South Carolina State 82-67; beat Saint Louis 88-61; beat UCLA 94-68; beat Duke 86-84; beat Stanford 86-85, OT; beat Utah 78-69. NCAA champion.

1999 — beat New Mexico State 82-60; beat Kansas 92-88, OT; beat Miami (Ohio) 58-43; lost to Michigan State 73-66.

2000 — beat St. Bonaventure 85-80, 2OT; lost to Syracuse 52-50.

2001 — beat Holy Cross 72-68; beat Iowa 92-79; lost to Southern Cal 80-76.

2002 — beat Valparaiso 83-68; beat Tulsa 87-82; lost to Maryland 78-68.

2003 — beat Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis 95-64; beat Utah 74-54; beat Wisconsin 63-57; lost to Marquette 83-69.

2004 — beat Florida A&M 96-76; lost to UAB 76-75.

2005 — beat Eastern Kentucky 72-64; beat Cincinnati 69-60; beat Utah 62-52; lost to Michigan State 94-88, 2OT.

2006 — beat UAB 69-64; lost to Connecticut 87-83.

2007 — beat Villanova 67-58; lost to Kansas 88-76.

Billy Gillispie

2008 — lost to Marquette 74-66.

John Calipari

2010 — beat ETSU 100-71; beat Wake Forest 90-60; beat Cornell 62-45; lost to West Virginia 73-66.

2011 — beat Princeton 59-57; beat West Virginia 71-63; beat Ohio State 62-60; beat North Carolina 76-69; lost to Connecticut 56-55. Final Four.

2012 — beat Western Kentucky 81-66; beat Iowa State 87-71.

NIT

National Invitation Tournament Glance

The Associated Press

Quarterfinals

Tuesday, March 20

UMass 72, Drexel 70

Washington 90, Oregon 86

Wednesday, March 21

Minnesota 78, Middle Tennessee 72

Stanford 84, Nevada 56

Semifinals

At Madison Square Garden

New York

Tuesday, March 27

UMass (24-10) vs. Stanford (24-11), 7 p.m.

Washington (24-10) vs. Minnesota (22-14), 9 p.m.

Championship

Thursday, March 29

Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

NCAA women

NCAA Women’s Glance

The Associated Press

DES MOINES REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

At Wells Fargo Arena

Des Moines, Iowa

Saturday, March 24

Kansas (21-12) vs. Tennessee (26-8), 12:04 p.m.

Baylor (36-0) vs. Georgia Tech (26-8), 2 p.m.

FRESNO REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

At Save Mart Center

Fresno, Calif.

Saturday, March 24

St. John’s (24-9) vs. Duke (26-5), 9:04 p.m.

Stanford (33-1) vs. South Carolina (25-9), 11:32 p.m.

RALEIGH REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

At PNC Arena

Raleigh, N.C.

Sunday, March 25

Texas A&M (24-10) vs. Maryland (30-4), TBA

Notre Dame (32-3) vs. St. Bonaventure (31-3), TBA

Tuesday, March 27

Regional Championship

Semifinal winners, TBA

KINGSTON REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals

At The Ryan Center

Kingston, R.I.

Sunday, March 25

UConn (31-4) vs. Penn State (26-6), TBA

Gonzaga (28-5) vs. Kentucky (27-6), TBA

Regional Championship

Tuesday, March 27

Semifinal winners, TBA

CBI Tournament

College Basketball Invitational Glance

The Associated Press

Semifinals

Wednesday, March 21

Pittsburgh 68, Butler 62, OT

Washington State 72, Oregon State 55

Championship Series

(Best-of-3)

Monday, March 26

Pittsburgh (20-16) vs. Washington State (18-16)

NBA Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	26	21	.553	—
Boston	24	21	.533	1
New York	23	24	.489	3
Toronto	15	32	.319	11
New Jersey	15	33	.313	11 ½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	34	11	.756	—
Orlando	30	18	.625	5 ½
Atlanta	27	20	.574	8
Washington	11	34	.244	23
Charlotte	7	37	.159	26 ½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	39	10	.796	—
Indiana	26	18	.591	10 ½
Milwaukee	21	24	.467	16
Cleveland	17	27	.386	19 ½
Detroit	16	30	.348	21 ½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

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CONTACT BRIDGE BY STEVEN BECKER

Ingenuity Knows No Bounds

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 5 4 3
♥ 7 2
♦ A K Q J 10
♣ J 10 8

WEST
♠ 10 8 7
♥ 4
♦ 7 5 4 3 2
♣ K 7 6 5

EAST
♠ 2
♥ K Q J 10 9 3
♦ 9 8 6
♣ 9 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A K Q J 9 6
♥ A 8 6 5
♦ —
♣ A Q 4

The bidding:
North 1♦
East 3♥
South 3♠
West Pass

Opening lead — four of hearts.

would automatically go down one after East took the heart at trick four and returned a heart, allowing West to score a trump trick.

One way of trying to salvage the contract would be to lead the queen of clubs at trick four, hoping West had the king and would be kind enough to take it. This would create a club entry to dummy's beautiful diamonds. But when you consider that West will almost surely see through your scheme and duck the queen, you should dismiss that idea.

Another possibility is to lead a low club toward dummy instead of leading the queen. This would succeed if West also played low, but if he put up the king and returned a trump, you'd eventually find yourself down three.

By far the best possibility, though not easy to think of, is to lead the six of trumps at trick four, purposely conceding a trick to West's ten!

This unusual play — deliberately losing a trump trick that you don't have to lose — has everything to recommend it. It is a perfect Greek gift, since it guarantees the slam. After taking the ten, West is forced to return a club or a diamond. Either way — and no matter who has the king of clubs — you are sure to score the rest of the tricks.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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Level: Beginner

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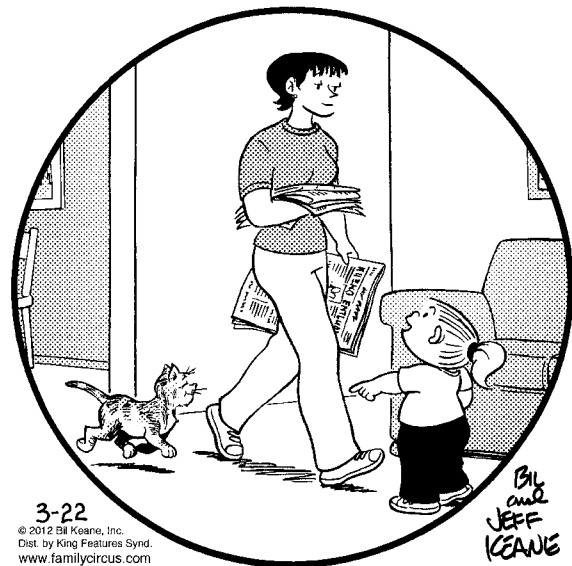
Wednesday's unlisted clue: WIND

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Thursday's unlisted clue hint: A MALE DEER

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Corky Dunker Flash Hairy Dawg
Klawz Da Bear Lucy Lobo Mo the Mule Ozzie
Pistol Pete Purple Cow Sasha

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"You need to sit down, Mommy. Kittycat is lookin' for a lap to lie on."

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Mass. neighbor
- 5 Play a banjo
- 10 Lotion additive
- 11 Shirt's cousin
- 12 Camera part
- 13 Door topper
- 14 Like some hot dogs
- 16 Risky venture
- 20 Climb
- 23 Playwright Burrows
- 24 Gallows sight
- 25 Mortise partner
- 27 Go wrong
- 28 Put a price on
- 29 Like some celebrations
- 32 Normal writing
- 36 Deep red
- 39 Huron neighbor
- 40 Made amends
- 41 Last Stuart ruler
- 42 Home run, in slang
- 43 Performs

DOWN

- 1 Leg part
- 2 Bread spread
- 3 Forbidden act
- 4 Gets comfy
- 5 Lemony drinks
- 6 Salad servers
- 7 Deep groove
- 8 Employ
- 9 Director Brooks
- 11 Fair-haired
- 15 Solitary
- 17 Put on the wall
- 18 Bassoon's kin
- 19 Watch over
- 20 Over again
- 21 Angry
- 22 Heart
- 25 Zesty flavor
- 26 Brainiac
- 28 Muscularly fit
- 30 "Sophie's Choice" co-star
- 31 Pathetic person
- 33 Florence's river
- 34 Muses count
- 35 Bad grades
- 36 Purrr producer
- 37 Greek vowel
- 38 Go bad

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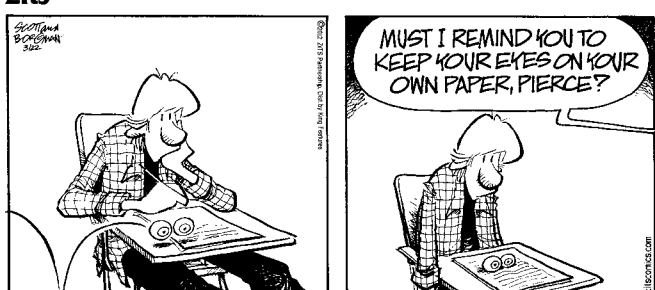
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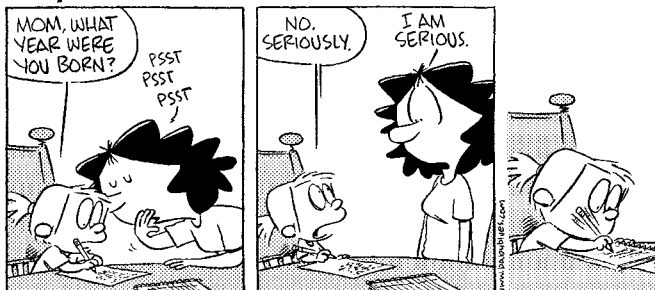
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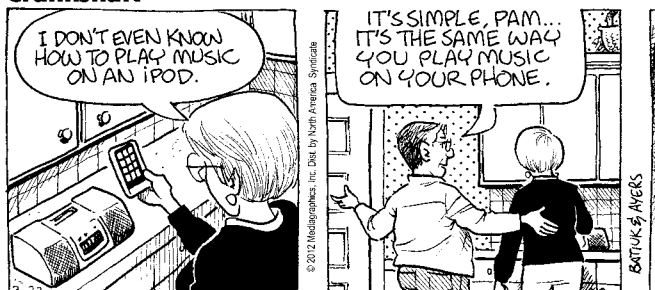
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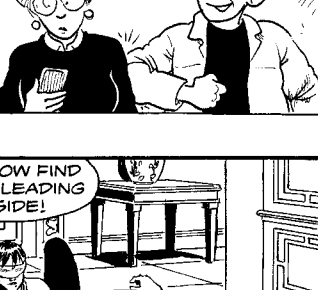
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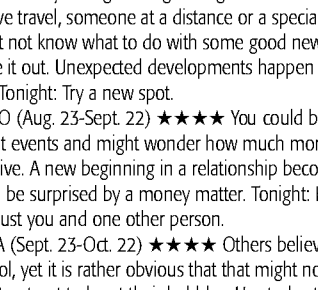
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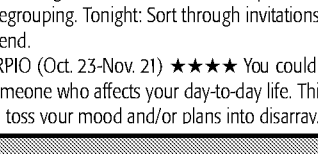
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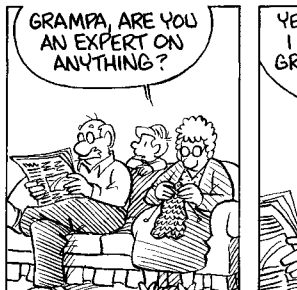
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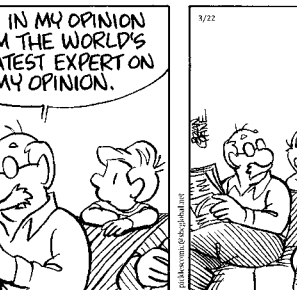
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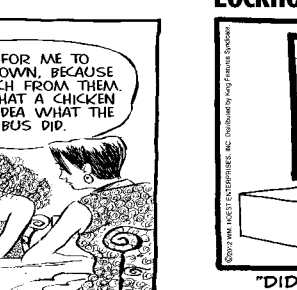
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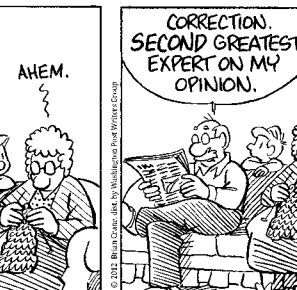
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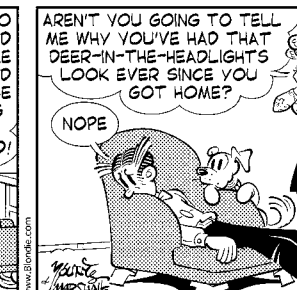
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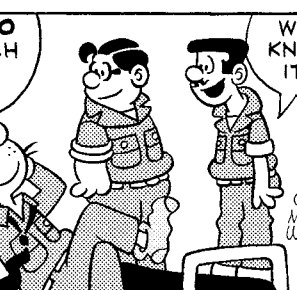
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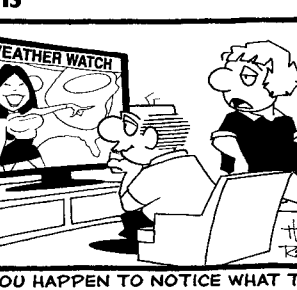
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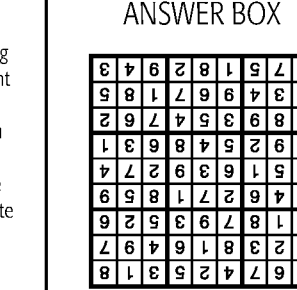
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Lockhorns



ANSWER BOX

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COLLEGE MASCOTS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, March 22, 2012:
New beginnings earmark this year. You will be direct, and others will respond in kind. Communication flows. Above everything, you greet life with renewed excitement and interest; boredom will not be an issue. You draw many new people into your life. If you are single, you could meet "the one." However, time is your ally. Take the time to get to know this person. If you are attached, the two of you romp around as if you have not a care in the world. As a couple, you might make a radical change involving your lifestyle. Another ARIES often surprises you with his or her energy.
The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult
ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Today's New Moon in your sign signals a new beginning in a most appropriate area. You will feel far more connected and free as a result. An element of the unexpected adds excitement to your day. Enjoy the spontaneity. Tonight: Seize the moment.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You could decide to say little and observe a lot. You also could have an unusually strong reaction to a situation. Try to process your feelings before responding. You gain insight into someone else's decision that previously baffled you. Tonight: Do your thing.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Zero in on a meeting. The discussion that ensues could have a lot more to do with your plans than you'd thought. Others act strangely, leaving you wondering what might be going on. The people behaving in this manner might

not even know why they are. Tonight: Where the action is.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You are on top of a project, work or errands. You feel as if you cannot be stopped from attaining a long-desired goal. Do not be surprised by an unanticipated change that comes from out of left field. Tonight: Work with the situation.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Look past the obvious. It might be time to finally indulge a long-term goal or desire. This wish could involve travel, someone at a distance or a special seminar. You might not know what to do with some good news, but you will figure it out. Unexpected developments happen out of the blue. Flex. Tonight: Try a new spot.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You could be exhausted by recent events and might wonder how much more of yourself you can give. A new beginning in a relationship becomes possible. You could be surprised by a money matter. Tonight: Keep it personal, with just you and one other person.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Others believe they are in control, yet it is rather obvious that that might not be true. You might opt not to burst their bubbles. Use today to contact someone you want to get to know better. An unexpected action could have you regrouping. Tonight: Sort through invitations with an eye to the weekend.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You could be taken aback by someone who affects your day-to-day life. This person's words could toss your mood and/or plans into disarray. Flex. and find

a way to do everything. Yes, it is possible. Start a long-overdue project. Tonight: Do errands.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Whether approaching a creative project or deciding to date a special person, a green light beams. Though you might be focused on serious matters a lot of the time, you like the lightening up that occurs. Share plans with a friend or sibling. Tonight: Be a wild thing.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Stay close to home, and be aware that you really are not limited. A discussion with a roommate or family member could enlighten you about alternatives. You will have a lot to consider. Unexpected happenings could force you to regroup. Tonight: Stay close to home.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Your words have an impact. Conversations evolve from a simple statement. You can clear out what has been a problem or start over with a new beginning. Use caution when driving or handling machinery, as you could be happily distracted. Tonight: Join friends.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Be aware of your needs and what you have to offer. Financial matters easily could change in your favor in the near future. Make a personal resolution, and refuse to get into impulse buying. Still, you just might buy one last item. Tonight: Indulge a loved one.
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16 MVSU 58
16 W. Kentucky 59

Second Round
March 15-16

1 Kentucky 81
16 W. Kentucky 66
8 Iowa St. 77
9 UConn 64

Third Round
March 17-18

Kentucky 87
Iowa St. 71

Sweet 16
March 22-23

5 Wichita St. 59
12 VCU 62
4 Indiana 79
13 New Mex. St. 66

Elite Eight
March 24-25

VCU 61
Indiana 63

Final Four
March 31

2012 FINAL FOUR
NEW ORLEANS

Elite Eight
March 24-25

Syracuse

Second Round
March 15-16

1 Syracuse 72
16 UNC Asheville 65
8 Kansas St. 70
9 So. Miss. 64

Third Round
March 17-18

Syracuse 75
Kansas St. 59

Second Round
March 15-16

5 Vanderbilt 79
12 Harvard 70
4 Wisconsin 73
13 Montana 49

Third Round
March 17-18

Cincinnati 62
Florida St. 56

Second Round
March 15-16

6 Cincinnati 65
11 Texas 58
3 Florida St. 66
14 St. Bonav. 63

Third Round
March 17-18

Gonzaga 66
Ohio St. 73

Second Round
March 15-16

7 Gonzaga 77
10 W. Virginia 54
2 Ohio St. 78
15 Loyola (MD) 59

Third Round
March 17-18

N. Carolina 87
Creighton 73

Second Round
March 15-16

1 N. Carolina 77
16 Vermont 58
8 Creighton 58
9 Alabama 57

Third Round
March 17-18

S. Florida 56
Ohio 62

Second Round
March 15-16

5 Temple 44
12 S. Florida 58
4 Michigan 60
13 Ohio 65

Third Round
March 17-18

N.C. State 66
Georgetown 63

Second Round
March 15-16

6 San Diego St. 65
11 N.C. State 79
3 Georgetown 74
14 Belmont 59

Third Round
March 17-18

Purdue 60
Kansas 63

Second Round
March 15-16

7 Saint Mary's 69
10 Purdue 72
2 Kansas 65
15 Detroit 50

Third Round
March 17-18

Kansas 63

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